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REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER

Date: May 7, 2002

This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated herein by reference and the signature below is treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENTHon. Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

In supplement to the Amendment filed on February 28, 2002 and further in response to the Office Action dated November 30, 2001, please further amend the above identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please enter the following amended claims:

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1. (Twice Amended) Water-soluble film which is soluble in water at temperatures between 5 and 35°C comprising at least one polyurethane polymer, which at least one polyurethane polymer comprises:

2 to 35 weight %, based on the weight of polyurethane polymer, of poly(ethylene oxide) groups which have a chain length(s) corresponding to a number average molecular weight within the range of from 300 to 3,000 Daltons;

15 to 150 millequivalents, per 100g of polyurethane polymer, of acid-functional groups; and wherein

at least 50 weight% of the acid-functional groups are neutralised, such neutralisation being with at least one base, at least part of which is at least one non-volatile base;